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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: PAN AM CHANGE OF GAUGE

1. FRENCH MIN COUN BOYER MET WITH ASST SEC KATZ THIS MORNING. FOLLOWING UP ON COOPER-DE LABOULAYE DISCUSSION OF JUNE 5, BOYER SAID THAT FRENCH WERE PREPARED TO ENGAGE IN NEGOTIATIONS ON A WIDE NUMBER OF SUBJECTS AND THAT THE RESULT OF THOSE NEGOTIATIONS COULD BE APPROVAL OF PAN AM CHANGE OF GAUGE BUT WITHOUT EXPLICIT QUID PRO QUO BY U.S. BOYER SAID U.S. SHOULD WITHDRAW PART 213 ACTION TO SET GOOD ATMOSPHERE FOR TALKS, BUT FRENCH WOULD NOT APPROVE PAN AM CHANGE OF GAUGE PRIOR TO TALKS. BOYER INDICATED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THAT COOPER HAD TENTATIVELY APPROVED THIS APPROACH IN JUNE 5 CONVERSATION.

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2. KATZ RESPONDED THAT FRENCH PROPOSAL WAS NOT ACCEPTABLE, AND THAT COOPER HAD NOT SIGNED ANY RETREAT FROM FIRM U.S. POSITION THAT PART 213 ACTION WOULD BE WITHDRAWN ONLY IF AND WHEN PAN AM IS PERMITTED TO OPERATE. U.S. IS PREPARED TO NEGOTIATE ON OTHER ISSUES AND HAS NO OBJECTION TO BROAD TALKS. HOWEVER, CHANGE OF GAUGE WAS NOT A PROPER

SUBJECT OF NEGOTIATION. U.S. REMAINED READY TO ARBITRATE THE MERITS OF OUR LEGAL POSITION.

3. PARTIES EXCHANGED TOPICS WHICH COULD BE THE SUBJECT OF NEGOTIATIONS. FRENCH WISH TO NEGOTIATE (1) PAN AM CHANGE OF GAUGE; (2) TWA FIFTH FREEDOM OPERATIONS TO MIDDLE EAST; (3) EXCHANGE OF GENEVA-NICE BLIND SECTOR FOR WASHINGTON-MEXICO CITY BLIND SECTOR; (4) ADDITION OF A POINT IN SOUTHERN U.S. FOR AIR FRANCE; (5) ADDITION OF SAN FRANCISCO AS AIR FRANCE POINT, WITH BLIND SECTOR TO VANCOUVER. U.S. RESPONDED THAT ITEM (1) WOULD NOT BE NEGOTIATED. ON U.S. SIDE, WE WISHED TO DISCUSS (1) OPEN EXCHANGE OF BLIND SECTOR RIGHTS; (2) RIGHT OF U.S. AIRLINES TO COMMINGLE IN LONDON ALL U.S. PASSENGERS BOUND FOR PARIS; (3) CHARTER RULES; AND (4) LOW FARES.

4. KATZ CLOSED MEETING BY REITERATING THAT PART 213 WOULD PROCEED UNTIL PAN AM IS ALLOWED TO OPERATE WITH CHANGE OF GAUGE. BOARD ORDER IS TO BECOME FINAL ON JUNE 10 UNLESS PRESIDENT DISAPPROVES IT ON THAT DATE. AT PRESENT, DEPARTMENT HAS NO BASIS FOR URGING PRESIDENT TO DISAPPROVE ORDER. U.S. REMAINS HOPEFUL THAT FRENCH WILL ACCOMMODATE PAN AM AS INTERIM MEASURE, WITH EITHER ARBITRATION OR NEGOTIATIONS ON OTHER ISSUES TO FOLLOW, SO THAT DISPUTE WILL NOT ESCALATE. VANCE

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